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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Ludmila Cherkasova et al.

Application No.: 09/886,672

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Art Unit: 2154

For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
WORKLOAD-AWARE REQUEST  
DISTRIBUTION IN CLUSTER-BASED  
NETWORK SERVERS

Examiner: J. Joo

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 2 and 4-25, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**No Amendments to the Specification** are presented herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper, wherein claim 1 is amended.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
(X) No additional fee  
( ) Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

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TOTAL CLAIMS	24	MINUS	24	= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	6	= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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